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SACRAMENTO UPDATE - NOVEMBER 8, 2016 GENERAL ELECTION STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES

On June 30, 2016, Secretary of State Padilla announced that 17 measures had qualified for placement on the November 8, 2016, General Election ballot. The deadline for placing statewide ballot measures on the November 2016 ballot was June 30, 2016, unless an exception is included in legislation. Two of the following measures were placed on the ballot by the Legislature and 15 qualified through the initiative and referendum process. The official titles of these measures are:

- **Proposition 51: School Bonds. Funding for K-12 School and Community College Facilities. Initiative Statutory Amendment.** This measure would authorize \$9.0 billion in general obligation bonds, including: \$3.0 billion for new construction and \$3.0 billion for modernization of K-12 public school facilities; \$1.0 billion for charter schools and vocational education facilities; and \$2.0 billion for community college facilities.
- **Proposition 52: State Fees on Hospitals. Federal Medi-Cal Matching Funds. Initiative Statutory and Constitutional Amendment.** This measure would require statewide voter approval or a two-thirds vote of the Legislature to amend or repeal SB 239 (Chapter 657, Statutes of 2013), which imposed fees on hospitals to obtain Federal Medi-Cal matching funds to pay for hospital-provided Medi-Cal services, care for uninsured patients, and children's health coverage.

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- **Proposition 53: Revenue Bonds. Statewide Voter Approval. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.** This measure would require statewide voter approval of State revenue bonds exceeding \$2.0 billion to fund State projects.
- **Proposition 54: Legislature. Legislation and Proceedings. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.** This measure would prohibit the Legislature from passing any bill unless it has been in print and published on the internet for at least 72 hours before a vote, except in limited cases of public emergency declared by the Governor.
- **Proposition 55: Tax Extension to Fund Education and Healthcare. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.** This measure would extend by 12 years the temporary personal income tax increases enacted in Proposition 30 of 2012.
- **Proposition 56: Cigarette Tax to Fund Healthcare, Tobacco Use Prevention, Research, and Law Enforcement. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.** This measure would increase the cigarette tax by \$2.00 per pack, with an equivalent increase on other tobacco products and e-cigarettes containing nicotine to fund health care, tobacco prevention, research, and law enforcement.
- **Proposition 57: Criminal Sentences. Juvenile Criminal Proceedings and Sentencing. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.** This measure would: 1) allow parole consideration for persons convicted of nonviolent felonies and early release based on credits for education and good behavior; and 2) provide juvenile court judges greater flexibility when deciding whether juveniles age 14 years and older should be prosecuted and sentenced as adults.
- **Proposition 58: SB 1174 (Chapter 753, Statutes of 2014), Lara.** This measure would amend and repeal various provisions of Proposition 227 of 1998, including repealing the requirement that all children learn English by being taught in English and instead allow school districts and county offices of education, in consultation with language experts and parents, to determine the best language instruction methods and language acquisition programs to implement.
- **Proposition 59: SB 254 (Chapter 20, Statutes of 2016), Allen.** This measure asks voters whether California's elected officials should use their authority, including proposing and ratifying amendments to the U.S. Constitution, to

overturn *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* (2010), which held that corporate funding of independent political broadcasts in candidate elections cannot be limited.

- **Proposition 60: Adult Films. Condoms. Health Requirements. Initiative Statute.** This measure would require: 1) adult film performers to use condoms during the filming of sexual intercourse; and 2) adult film producers to pay for vaccinations, tests, and medical examinations for sexually transmitted diseases.
- **Proposition 61: State Prescription Drug Purchases. Pricing Standards. Initiative Statute.** This measure would prohibit State agencies from paying more for prescription drugs than the lowest price paid for the same drug by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, with exemptions for certain drugs funded through Medi-Cal.
- **Proposition 62: Death Penalty. Initiative Statute.** This measure would: 1) repeal the death penalty as the maximum punishment for murder and replace it with life imprisonment without the possibility of parole; 2) apply retroactively to persons already sentenced to death; and 3) require death row inmates to work and pay victim restitution.
- **Proposition 63: Firearms. Ammunition Sales. Initiative Statute.** This measure would: 1) prohibit the possession of large-capacity magazines; 2) require background checks to purchase ammunition; 3) require lost or stolen firearms and ammunition to be reported to law enforcement; and 4) prohibit persons convicted of stealing a firearm from possessing firearms.
- **Proposition 64: Marijuana Legalization. Initiative Statute.** This measure would: 1) tax and legalize marijuana and hemp for persons over 21 years of age; 2) allow local regulation and taxation of marijuana; 3) exempt medical marijuana from some taxation; and 4) authorize resentencing for prior marijuana convictions.
- **Proposition 65: Carry-Out Bags. Charges. Initiative Statute.** This measure would redirect money collected from the sale of certain carry-out bags to environmental projects.
- **Proposition 66: Death Penalty. Procedures. Initiative Statute.** This measure would: 1) change the procedures governing State court appeals and petitions challenging death penalty convictions and sentences, including the

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imposition of time limits on petitions requesting review; and 2) require death row inmates to work and pay victim restitution.

- **Proposition 67: Referendum to Overturn Ban on Single-Use Plastic Bags. Veto Referendum.** This measure would submit to the voters for approval or rejection SB 270 (Chapter 850, Statutes of 2014), which would prohibit certain retailers from distributing single-use plastic bags and permit the sale of reusable bags and recycled paper bags at a specified price.

This office will work with affected departments to determine the County impact of each of these measures and provide a report back to the Board.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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